

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3 to 8, 10 to 14 and 18 to 41 are pending in this application of which claims 1, 27, 34 and 38 are the independent claims. Claims 1 and 10 are amended. Claims 9, 15 to 17 and 42 to 45 are cancelled without prejudice. Favorable reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 27 to 41 are allowed. Applicants also acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claim 17 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly Applicants have amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claims 9 and 15 to 17.

Applicants submit that all dependent claims now depend on allowable independent claims.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for withdrawing the prior art cited with regards to any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicants submit that the entire application is now in condition for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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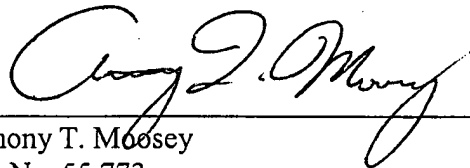
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No fee is believed to be due for this Response; however, if any fees are due, please apply such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0845 referencing Attorney Docket: INTEL-008PUS.

Respectfully submitted,

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